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JOINT LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO BE HELD JOINTLY BY DNREC AND DDA SEEKING PUBLIC INPUT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF FIREARM REGULATIONS

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) and the Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA), will hold **three joint** *public workshops* in February. These workshops will seek public input as the regulatory process begins for the development of regulations to comply with the Delaware Supreme Court decision in *Bridgeville R & P Club v. DNREC* (Dec. 7, 2017), which invalidated portions of previously existing DNREC and DDA regulations governing firearms. The interim regulations promulgated on Dec. 26, 2017 will ultimately be superseded by these regulations.

The dates, times, and locations of the workshops are as follows:

- New Castle County: Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018, 6:00 p.m., DNREC offices, 391 Lukens Drive, New Castle, DE 19720
- Kent County: Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2018, 6:00 p.m., DNREC R&R Auditorium, 89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE 19901
- Sussex County: Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Sussex Central High School Auditorium, 26026 Patriots Way, Georgetown, DE 19947

All three workshops will begin with a brief presentation to provide attendees with a general understanding of this proposed regulatory promulgation. Representatives from DNREC's Divisions of Parks & Recreation and Fish & Wildlife, as well as representatives from DDA, will be in attendance. The public will then be invited to comment on the initial proposed regulations in an open forum.

DNREC will begin accepting public comment *beginning Feb. 1, 2018*, in conjunction with the publication of the initial proposed regulations in the Feb. 1, 2018 edition of the *Delaware Register of Regulations*. Comments should be as specific as possible, and should include a reference to the relevant regulations. The initial proposed regulations can be found on DNREC's website here: http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/Admin/Documents/DNREC-DDA-Proposed-regulations-for-firearms-possession-in-state-parks-and-forests.pdf

This is the only time this notice will appear.